

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

DAMON JONES, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

-against-

THE SOUTH BEND CHOCOLATE
COMPANY, INC.,

Defendant.

Case No. 1:22-cv-07772 (JLR)

ORDER

JENNIFER L. ROCHON, United States District Judge:

This case has been assigned to me for all purposes. It is hereby:

ORDERED that, within thirty (30) days of service of the summons and complaint, the parties must meet and confer for at least one hour in a good-faith attempt to settle this action. To the extent the parties are unable to settle the case themselves, they must also discuss whether further settlement discussions through the district's court-annexed mediation program or before a magistrate judge would be productive at this time.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within fifteen (15) additional days (*i.e.*, within forty-five (45) days of service of the summons and complaint), the parties must submit a joint letter requesting that the Court either (1) refer the case to mediation or a magistrate judge (and indicate a preference between the two options), or (2) schedule an initial status conference in the matter.

Dated: September 14, 2022

New York, New York

SO ORDERED.



JENNIFER L. ROCHON
United States District Judge